

The Church of Saint Michael
Sunday, November 25, 2018
 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



Please remember in your prayers those who have died.

Please remember in your prayers the sick of our parish:
 Brian Korgeski, Zachary Glut, Tim Paternostro, Bill Regal,
 Diane Grzymko, Carolyn Sundheim Nystrom, Karlene Yaple,
 Dr. Love, Christine Parker, Mechele Dachisen,
 Marjorie Francomacaro, Barbara Poyer, Fred Krause

Weekly Memorials
 Sanctuary Lamp:
 Andrew Weaver

Weekly Devotions

Monday:Charismatic Prayer Group 7:00 pm
 Wednesday:Rosary Group 7:30 pm
 Friday:Divine Mercy 3:00 pm
 Saturday:Rosary (after 8 am Mass) 8:30 am

Readings for the week

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Sunday
 Dn 7:13-14; Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37
Monday
 Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday
 Rv 14:14-19; Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday
 Rv 15:1-4; Lk 21:12-19
Thursday
 Rv 18:1-2, 21-23, 19:1-3, 9a; Lk 21:20-28
Friday
 Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22
First Saturday
 Rv 22:1-7; Lk 21:34-36

Mass Intentions For The Week

Saturday, November 24, 2018
 8:00 a.m. Eugene & Regina Trapp
 5:00 p.m. Ronald Costanzo, Eleanor Sylvester

Sunday, November 25, 2018
 7:00 a.m. Thomasina Grogan & Andrew Weaver
 9:30 a.m. Ralph Bozza
 11:30 a.m. Michael Costanzo
 1:30 p.m. Special Intention

Monday, November 26, 2018
 7:00 a.m. Eileen Reges

Tuesday, November 27, 2018
 8:00 a.m. Special Intention
 7:00 p.m. Healing Mass Intentions

Wednesday, November 28, 2018
 7:00 a.m. Special Intention

Thursday, November 29, 2018
 8:00 a.m. Raymond Hubbs

Friday, November 30, 2018
 7:00 a.m. Vincent Rea

Saturday, December 1, 2018
 8:00 a.m. Mary Tognio
 5:00 p.m. Deceased Members of Rea Family,
 Toni DiRupo

Sunday, December 2, 2018
 7:00 a.m. Special Intention
 9:30 a.m. Patricia Entwistle
 11:30 a.m. Mary Brodo
 1:30 p.m. Special Intention

TITHING – GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING
 ST. MICHAEL'S HAS BEEN A TITHING PARISH
 SINCE 1988.
 Sunday, 11/18/18 Not available
 WeShare Online Not available
 To run our parish properly we need \$9,651.
 Please consider helping a little bit more if you can.

*Please pray for our Diaconate Candidates –
 Russ Raffay and John Meyer*

*Our Next Healing Mass is
 Tuesday, November 27th at 7pm*

From Fr. Mike

In 1969, a radio broadcast of Fr. Joseph Ratzinger (now known as Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI) gave the following speech. On this Solemnity of Christ the King, I hope you find the speech from fifty years ago interesting.

“The future of the Church can and will issue from those whose roots are deep and who live from the pure fullness of their faith. It will not issue from those who accommodate themselves merely to the passing moment or from those who merely criticize others and assume that they themselves are infallible measuring rods; nor will it issue from those who take the easier road, who sidestep the passion of faith, declaring false and obsolete, tyrannous and legalistic, all that makes demands upon men, that hurts them and compels them to sacrifice themselves. To put this more positively: The future of the Church, once again as always, will be reshaped by saints, by men, that is, whose minds probe deeper than the slogans of the day, who see more than others see, because their lives embrace a wider reality. Unselfishness, which makes men free, is attained only through the patience of small daily acts of self-denial. By this daily passion, which alone reveals to a man in how many ways he is enslaved by his own ego, by this daily passion and by it alone, a man's eyes are slowly opened. He sees only to the extent that he has lived and suffered. If today we are scarcely able any longer to become aware of God, that is because we find it so easy to evade ourselves, to flee from the depths of our being by means of the narcotic of some pleasure or other. Thus our own interior depths remain closed to us. If it is true that a man can see only with his heart, then how blind we are! How does all this affect the problem we are examining? It means that the big talk of those who prophesy a Church without God and without faith is all empty chatter. We have no need of a Church that celebrates the cult of action in political prayers. It is utterly superfluous. Therefore, it will destroy itself. What will remain is the Church of Jesus Christ, the Church that believes in the God who has become man and promises us life beyond death. The kind of priest who is no more than a social worker can be replaced by the psychotherapist and other specialists; but the priest who is no specialist, who does not stand on the [sidelines], watching the game, giving official advice, but in the name of God places himself at the disposal of man, who is beside them in their sorrows, in their joys, in their hope and in their fear, such a priest will certainly be needed in the future. Let us go a step farther. From the crisis of today the Church of tomorrow will emerge — a Church that has lost much. She will become small and will have to start afresh more or less from the beginning. She will no longer be able to inhabit many of the edifices she built in prosperity. As the number of her adherents diminishes, so it will lose many of her social privileges. In contrast to an earlier age, it will be seen much more as a voluntary society, entered only by free decision. As a small society, it will make much bigger demands on the initiative of her individual members. Undoubtedly it will discover new forms of ministry and will ordain to the priesthood approved Christians who pursue some profession. In many smaller

congregations or in self-contained social groups, pastoral care will normally be provided in this fashion. Along-side this, the full-time ministry of the priesthood will be indispensable as formerly. But in all of the changes at which one might guess, the Church will find her essence afresh and with full conviction in that which was always at her center: faith in the triune God, in Jesus Christ, the Son of God made man, in the presence of the Spirit until the end of the world. In faith and prayer she will again recognize the sacraments as the worship of God and not as a subject for liturgical scholarship. The Church will be a more spiritual Church, not presuming upon a political mandate, flirting as little with the Left as with the Right. It will be hard going for the Church, for the process of crystallization and clarification will cost her much valuable energy. It will make her poor and cause her to become the Church of the meek. The process will be all the more arduous, for sectarian narrow-mindedness as well as pompous self-will will have to be shed. One may predict that all of this will take time. The process will be long and wearisome as was the road from the false progressivism on the eve of the French Revolution — when a bishop might be thought smart if he made fun of dogmas and even insinuated that the existence of God was by no means certain — to the renewal of the nineteenth century.

But when the trial of this sifting is past, a great power will flow from a more spiritualized and simplified Church. Men in a totally planned world will find themselves unspeakably lonely. If they have completely lost sight of God, they will feel the whole horror of their poverty. Then they will discover the little flock of believers as something wholly new. They will discover it as a hope that is meant for them, an answer for which they have always been searching in secret. And so it seems certain to me that the Church is facing very hard times. The real crisis has scarcely begun. We will have to count on terrific upheavals. But I am equally certain about what will remain at the end: not the Church of the political cult, which is dead already, but the Church of faith. It may well no longer be the dominant social power to the extent that she was until recently; but it will enjoy a fresh blossoming and be seen as man's home, where he will find life and hope beyond death.”

St. Michael's Giving Tree Will be here on Nov. 24/25!



The Giving Tree will be located in the back of the church and the ornament tags will be available. We are asking that you return the wrapped gift with the ornament tag by December 15/16th
God Bless your generosity.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Calendars for all programs/grade can be found on the Faith Formation/Religious Education page of the website!

Gr. K-6: No sessions Sunday, Nov. 25. Happy Thanksgiving!

Jr. High: Gr. 8 meets 11/26; 6:30-8:30 pm, church and church hall

Confirmation Prep

- **Confirmation II saint reports:** as per the handout given to you in your folder, you MUST do either a written saint report or a live presentation for a Faith Formation class by Nov. 30. Please contact Mrs. Rogalo if you would like to do the presentation for a K-6 group. Email us at: faith.formation@stmichaelnetcong.org
- SIGNED Mass sheets due in Faith Formation office 11/25. Please use the mailbox outside of the office front door facing Church St.
- **Next sessions:** Con. I – 12/9 and Con. II – 12/2, regular time and place

First Reconciliation/First Communion Morning of Reflection:

- For children in Mrs. DeLuca's gr. 2 class and Mrs. Pintos' special sacraments class
- Sat., Dec. 1, 9:30 am-11:30 am. Please arrive at church by 9:20 am. An adult should accompany each child

Catechist In-service session: Sun, 11/25, 10:30 am, rectory basement

Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast

Would you like to donate towards
The Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe?
Please bring your donations to the parish office.
Thank you for your generosity.

HELP THE FOOD PANTRY!

The Food Pantry is in need of the following items for our Christmas Food Drive: toilet tissue, toiletries (soap, shampoo and deodorant), boxed stuffing, cranberry sauce, gravy, canned fruit and cereal. Please leave your donations in the bin outside the rectory garage. Thank you, as always, for your generosity!

2018 Bishop's Annual Appeal Here I Am, Lord!

This time of year, as we come together to celebrate Thanksgiving, please consider making a gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal as a way to give thanks for our many blessings. Each year, tens of thousands of people in profound need seek out the services of our Catholic Charities and, with the help for the Bishop's Annual Appeal, they find an open door and a compassionate response. Please make a pledge to our Bishop's Annual Appeal today! For your convenience, you can make an online gift or pledge at www.2018appeal.org.

Youth Ministry

† Nursing Home †

Saturday, December 1st

Permission slips due by

November 29th! Available online

Come to celebrate holiday festivities with the residents of Mt. Arlington Senior Living by making Christmas ornaments~

† **MARCH FOR LIFE** †

Thursday January 17th-Friday January 18th

Stand for those who cannot stand for themselves

Counts as an excused absence from school if you have discussed with your teachers prior to the trip about rescheduling necessary quarterlies, midterms, or homework

\$100 deposit due by December 20th with permission slip - Only 9 spots available

First come first serve

† Youth Ministry Meetings †

Every Sunday unless posted

12:30-1:30pm in the school

All permission slips/registration

forms can be found online

Calendar for other events and service opportunities can be found on the parish website at stmichaelnetcong.org/youth-ministry

ADORATION

Every Holy Hour we make so pleases the Heart of Jesus that it is recorded in Heaven and retold for all eternity!

(St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta)

OPEN HOURS Monday 5am,

Tuesday 6am partner, 11pm,

Friday 1am, 1 pm,

Saturday 4am, 11 am partner,

9pm, 10pm, Sunday 12am

Please prayerfully consider filling an open hour. If you cannot make your hour – please find coverage or call your division leader. Thank you!

Marie Francisco 732-895-7972

Andrea Trapper 973-347-7031



Thank you to all our parishioners who bought and sold tickets to help raise money for

St. Michael Church.

God Bless You!

*The winners will be published
in next week's bulletin.*

What Is BEST ADVENT EVER?

From Dynamic Catholic

It's a free email program that will help you slow down and focus on what matters most during this busy season. You'll experience Advent in a whole new way—leading to the best Christmas of your life!

To sign up, visit
BestAdventEver.com/Christmas18

St. Michael's Church Parishioners!

We cordially invite adults (18 or older) to consider joining St. Michael's Indoor Soccer and/or Volleyball Programs. Games would take place once a week across the street in the Parish gymnasium at 7:00 p.m. Game duration 1 - 1 ½ hrs.



* Start date: Pending

*Please fill out and submit your completed form by November 11th!

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Volleyball ___ Soccer ___ or both ___

Days Avail. Mon ___ Tues ___ Wed ___

Thurs ___ Fri ___ Sat ___

From Fr. Henry

APRENDE SOBRE TU FE!



Jesús está presente cuando su gente se reúne en oración. In Mateo 18:20 Él dice: "Porque donde están dos o tres congregados en mi nombre, allí estoy yo en medio de ellos." Por lo tanto, mientras estamos reunidos en la Misa, estamos elevando nuestras intenciones personales y las de la iglesia en la **oración de los fieles** o también llamada **Intercesiones generales**.

Quizás te has dado cuenta que existe un orden que rige la oración de los fieles. El Misal Romano dice que debemos orar

primero por las necesidades de la iglesia, luego por las autoridades públicas y la salvación del mundo entero, por aquellos oprimidos por alguna necesidad y finalmente por la comunidad local. También se puede adherir una oración por las almas de los recientes fieles difuntos.

Después que el sacerdote ha dado una pequeña introducción, el diácono (si lo hay) o el lector leerá cada una de las oraciones finalizando con una invitación a la congregación a unirse en la oración diciendo "**Oremos al Señor**" a lo cual la congregación responde con algo similar a "**Te rogamos óyenos**"

San Pablo recomendó elevar oraciones a su amigo Timoteo, quien era el obispo en la iglesia primitiva, cuando le escribió: "Primero que todo, pido que las suplicas, oraciones, peticiones y acción de gracias sean ofrecidas por todos, por los reyes y aquellos en la autoridad, para que así todos podamos llevar una vida tranquila en toda devoción y dignidad. Esto es bueno y agradable a Dios"

Instrucción general del misal romano © Conferencia Episcopal de Colombia, 2007 y un mimito de explicación de la Misa por Gus Lloyd Catholic Apologetics.

Les deseo un bendecido Día del Señor.
Padre Henry

¡UNA PEQUEÑA INVITACIÓN A CELEBRAR!!!

Las **pequeñas comunidades de LEVANTE**, los invita a celebrar junto con ellos la alegría de haber culminado de la primera etapa del programa llamado **Levante. Unámonos en Cristo**, el cual han venido desarrollando durante las pasadas seis semanas en nuestra parroquia.

Una oportunidad para reflexionar, celebrar y evaluar esta primera etapa de renovación y evangelización.

Día: **25 de noviembre** Hora **3:00-5:00pm**

Lugar: **Msgr. Trappaso Hall** (salón bajando las escaleras de la iglesia)

¡Tendremos comida, presentaciones y un reporte de la primera etapa del proceso!!!!

¡LOS ESPERAMOS!!!!

EVENTOS PROXIMOS!!!!

- **Formación y Capacitación para Ministros de la Hospitalidad.**

"Si por naturaleza eres una persona servicial, tienes una profunda fe en Cristo, amas la Misa y tu deseo es ayudar a los fieles a alabar a Dios en el culto cuando llegan a la iglesia. Te invito a que hagas parte de nuestro ministerio de Hospitalidad o Bienvenida.

Inicia: Domingo 11 de Noviembre por 4 domingos consecutivos.

Lugar de reuniones: Trappaso Hall (bajando las escaleras de la Iglesia)

Hora: 3:00 pm

¡Recuerda que cuando saludas a las personas que llegan a la iglesia, también evangelizas!